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Title: **Method and Apparatus for Solid State Molecular Analysis**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on
January 4, 2001.

REMARKS

Claims 56-65 are pending in the present application. The Examiner rejected
claims 55-66 as being anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) by U.S. Patent 6,123,819 to Peeters
("Peeters"). (It is believed that the Examiner intended to reject claims 56-65 and did not intend
to include claim 66 because that claim is part of non-elected Group II) Reconsideration of the
pending claims is respectfully requested in view of the following comments.

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